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**Project Title:** Alamo River Trail Trestle Bridge

Lead Agency: City of Holtville

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City: Holtville

Zip: 92250

County: Imperial

**Project Location:** County: Imperial City/Nearest Community: Holtville

Cross Streets: Evan Hewes Highway (State Highway 115)

Zip Code: 92250

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 32 ° 48 ' 29 " N / 115 ° 23 ' 17 " W Total Acres: 5.91

Assessor's Parcel No.: 045-243-005

Section: \_\_\_\_\_

Twp.: \_\_\_\_\_

Range: \_\_\_\_\_

Base: \_\_\_\_\_

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 115

Waterways: \_\_\_\_\_

Airports: \_\_\_\_\_

Railways: \_\_\_\_\_

Schools: Holtville High School

**Document Type:**

CEQA:

☐ NOP☐ Early Cons☐ Neg Dec☒ Mit Neg Dec☐ Draft EIR☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR

(Prior SCH No.) \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

NEPA:

☐ NOI☐ EA☐ Draft EIS☐ FONSI

Other:

☐ Joint Document☐ Final Document☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_**Local Action Type:**☐ General Plan Update☐ General Plan Amendment☐ General Plan Element☐ Community Plan☐ Specific Plan☐ Master Plan☐ Planned Unit Development☒ Site Plan☐ Rezone☐ Prezone☐ Use Permit☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)☐ Annexation☐ Redevelopment☐ Coastal Permit☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_**Development Type:**☐ Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_

Acres \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Office: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_

Acres \_\_\_\_\_

Employees \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_

Acres \_\_\_\_\_

Employees \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_

Acres \_\_\_\_\_

Employees \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Educational:☒ Recreational: Project is part of the Alamo River Trestle Bridge and Recreational Trail☐ Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_

MGD \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Transportation: Type \_\_\_\_\_☐ Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_☐ Power: Type \_\_\_\_\_

MW

☐ Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_

MGD

☐ Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**☐ Aesthetic/Visual☐ Agricultural Land☒ Air Quality☐ Archeological/Historical☒ Biological Resources☐ Coastal Zone☐ Drainage/Absorption☐ Economic/Jobs☐ Fiscal☐ Flood Plain/Flooding☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard☒ Geologic/Seismic☐ Minerals☐ Noise☐ Population/Housing Balance☐ Public Services/Facilities☐ Recreation/Parks☐ Schools/Universities☐ Septic Systems☐ Sewer Capacity☐ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading☐ Solid Waste☐ Toxic/Hazardous☐ Traffic/Circulation☐ Vegetation☐ Water Quality☐ Water Supply/Groundwater☐ Wetland/Riparian☐ Growth Inducement☐ Land Use☐ Cumulative Effects☒ Other: Cultural Resources, Mandatory

Findings of Significance

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Open Space (OS)/Open Space (OS)

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

See separate page.

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☐ Caltrans Planning  
☐ Central Valley Flood Protection Board  
☐ Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy  
☐ Coastal Commission  
☐ Colorado River Board  
☐ Conservation, Department of  
☐ Corrections, Department of  
☐ Delta Protection Commission  
☐ Education, Department of  
☒ Energy Commission  
☒ Fish & Game Region # 6  
☐ Food & Agriculture, Department of  
☒ Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of  
☐ General Services, Department of  
☐ Health Services, Department of  
☐ Housing & Community Development  
☒ Native American Heritage Commission

☒ Office of Historic Preservation  
☐ Office of Public School Construction  
☒ Parks & Recreation, Department of  
☐ Pesticide Regulation, Department of  
☐ Public Utilities Commission  
☐ Regional WQCB # \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Resources Agency  
☐ Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of  
☐ S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.  
☐ San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy  
☐ San Joaquin River Conservancy  
☐ Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy  
☐ State Lands Commission  
☐ SWRCB: Clean Water Grants  
☐ SWRCB: Water Quality  
☐ SWRCB: Water Rights  
☐ Tahoe Regional Planning Agency  
☐ Toxic Substances Control, Department of  
☒ Water Resources, Department of

Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date December 27, 2024

Ending Date January 27, 2025

### Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Lead Agency Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 12/27/24

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

**Project Location:** The proposed project site is located within a 5.91-acre parcel, Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 045-243-005, at the southwest corner of the City of Holtville within the incorporated city limits and above the Alamo River.

**Project Description:** The Alamo River Trail Trestle Bridge was constructed around circa 1904 with a length of about 350 feet, is an open deck bridge consisting of several short spans and is supported by a system of splayed vertical structural elements. A particular feature of this trestle is the apparent composite of both a timber bent system at both ends and a steel space truss system in the middle. The steel truss occupies the mid one-third of the length of the trestle and is bolted with rivet type connections. The steel rails have long been removed by A & K Railroad Materials for salvage use. As such, the remaining transverse timber beams, spaced at about 2 to 3 feet on center, form the current main top surface of the deck. These transverse beams are about 7-1/2 inch wide by 9-1/2 inch deep over the longitudinal wood girders and increase to 9-1/2 by 16 inches over the top chords of the steel truss. On each end of the transverse beams, a 3-foot-wide metal grating sidewalk supported by double cantilevered wood rafters provides access and adds to the total width of the trestle top deck. A set of 3'-6" tall vertical metal angles at about 3' on center are bolted to the tips of the double cantilevers to form a handrail system with horizontal cables. In August of 2009 a fire occurred in the vicinity of the trestle bridge which resulted in significant damage. A 2010 visual review of the trestle bridge found that the deck, support cross beams, grating, railings, and bents were completely damaged and in need of full replacement.

The trestle bridge repair will result in the replacement of the damaged structural bent timbers, structural cross beams, and other structural components. More specifically, the rehabilitation will consist of the demolition and replacement of the damaged portions of the bridge (approximately 1,000 square feet), and the installation of 3,500 square feet of bridge decking suitable for non-motorized trail users, 350 linear feet of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant bridge railings suitable for pedestrians and bicycles, and 350 square feet of bridge landing suitable for the transition between the bridge and the existing Alamo River Trail. The damaged structures will be replaced with timber, when feasible, to match the nondamaged portion of the bridge and restore the aesthetic appeal of the bridge. The improvements will result in the repair and conversion of the existing trestle bridge into a multimodal pathway suitable for non-motorized users including pedestrians, bicycles and equestrian traffic.

The project will also include improvements to the existing Alamo River Trail aimed at extending the trail to connect to the trestle bridge walkway. The trail improvements will consist of an 8-foot wide, 12 inch deep, class 2 base trail continuation section from the east edge of the Alamo River Bridge to the existing 8-foot-wide plain cement concrete trail. Additional improvements include trail side amenities consisting of 45,000 square feet of mulch, fifteen (15) trees from fifteen (15) gallon containers, thirty-five (35) each of bushes, shrubs, and grasses, six (6) benches, two (2) informational kiosks, four (4) "No Motor Vehicles" signs, and one (1) funding acknowledgement sign. All proposed landscaping will comply with the State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) and have its own irrigation consisting of drip fittings and tree bubblers.